DON'T BECOME AN OTAKU, SHINOZAKI!

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HIKAWA SHOU

CHAPTER 38: A WORTHY RIVAL

ALRIGHT, LET'S BEGIN!
YOU ARE THE NEW PREPURES!!
YES, YOU, AND YOU. THIS IS THE...

HOW DID IT CAME TO THIS..!
YOU ARE ALL PREPURES CONTEST!!
HELP ME, PURE AUTUMN. WHAT SHOULD I DO?
IF YOU RE FACING AN ENEMY THAT'S TOO STRONG YOU CAN ALWAYS SELECT THE OPTION TO ESCAPE!
THANK YOU, PURE AUTUMN I ALSO THINK THAT WOULD BE THE BEST,
HOWEVER...

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT, BIG SIS AKINA!
I'M ALREADY TOTALLY SURROUNDED!
AS THE BIG SIS, I GUESS I'VE GOT NO CHOICE...
FOR THE PREPURE CONTEST, YOU WILL BE COMPETING TO SEE WHO IS THE MOST WORTHY OF BEING A PREPURE.
PANEL QUESTIONS, RAPID-RESPONSE QUIZZES, AND SHOW-DOWNS WITH ENEMY LEADERS
PLEASE FIGHT YOUR WAY THROUGH THE VARIOUS EVENTS AND AIM FOR VICTORY!
SO IN OTHER WORDS, IT'S THE KIND OF STUFF YOU'D SEE ON A GAMESHOW

A
The Moe Family Team
ALRIGHT, SO LET'S INTRODUCE THE TEAMS WHO WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THIS BATTLE
OUR FIRST TEAM IS MOE AND HER SISTER!
I'M SO HAPPY TO BE HERE~
S SAME HERE~

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HEHEHEE IT'S THE SCENE WHERE BIG SIS GREEN AND BIG SIS ORANGE DEFEAT THE RABU ONI WITH THE POWER OF THEIR FRIENDSHIP~
DO YOU HAVE A FAVOURITE PRETTURE SCENE AT ALL, MOE?
OOOH THAT'S AN UNMISSABLE FAMOUS SCENE RIGHT THERE!

EH? A-
A FAVOURITE
SCENE?
? ? ?
WHAT
ABOUT YOU,
BIG SIS?

IT'S NOT LIKE IT'S MY FAVOURITE OR ANYTHING, BUT I LOVED HOW THE CONVERSATION BETWEEN MIDORI AND KANADE 35 MINUTES INTO THE MOVIE IS DONE IN THIS INCREDIBLY NONCHALANT MANNER AND YET YOU STILL GET A STRONG SENSE OF KANADE'S KINDNESS. AND I WAS REALLY HAPPY WITH THE WAY IT WORKED TO FORESHADOW THE CLIMAX—

I'M NOT A
MAAAANIAC!!
IT'S AN
IMPORTANT
SCENE!!
Y-YOU'RE QUITE
THE PREPURE
MANIAC, HUH!?
THANK FOR THAT
WONDERFUL,
LOVE-FILLED
INTRODUCTION!

ALRIGHT,
AND NOW
THE NEXT TEAM
WAIT, NOT GOOD,
NOT GOOD, I CAN'T
LET MYSELF STAND OUT
ANY MORE THAN THIS!
I NEED TO HOLD MY
POWER LEVEL BACK
A LITTLE MORE...

B
The "Went all-out and transformed into PrePures to protect the PrePure Show" team
EHP WHAT IS THIS... IS THIS LADY TSUKI AND LIGHTNING?
WHOA, THOSE ARE SOME INCREDIBLY DETAILED AND PRECISE COSTUMES!
HE'S CROSS-DRESSING, BUT HE'S GOTTEN HIS BODY HAIR REMOVED, THE MAKEUP IS PERFECT, AND HIS BODY'S IN GREAT SHAPE...
IT'S LONG, SO WE SHORTENED IT TO "THE PREPURE TEAM"!!
WHAT THE HELLLLLL!?
NO, FORGET ABOUT THAT. WHY ARE YOU GOING FULL OTAKU IN FRONT OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC LIKE THAT!?
YOU'RE GOING TO RUIN THINGS FOR ALL THE KIDS...

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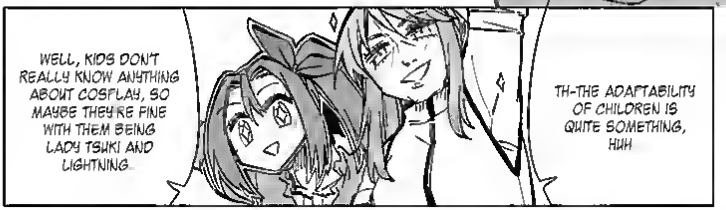
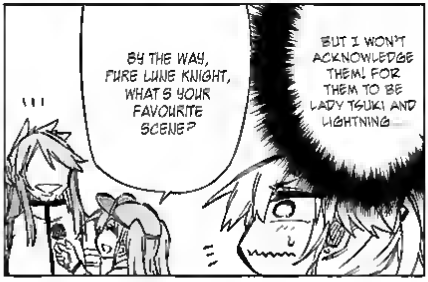
Lune Knight!!


WELL, KIDS DON'T REALLY KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT COSPLAY, SO MAYBE THEY'RE FINE WITH THEM BEING LADY TSUKI AND LIGHTNING...
TH-THE ADAPTABILITY OF CHILDREN IS QUITE SOMETHING, HUH

H-HMM, WELL IT LOOKS LIKE THEY UNDERSTAND A LITTLE...
EVERYONE, PLEASE TAKE GOOD CARE OF OUR NEW FRIENDS KANADE AND LILI FROM THE MOVIES~


BUT I WON'T ACKNOWLEDGE THEM! FOR THEM TO BE LADY TSUKI AND LIGHTNING...
BY THE WAY, PURE LUNE KNIGHT, WHAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE SCENE?
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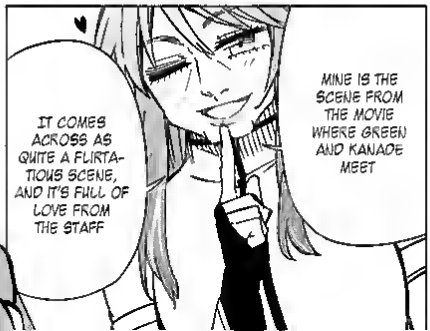
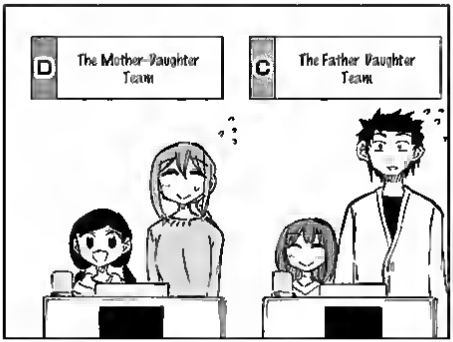

MINE IS THE SCENE FROM THE MOVIE WHERE GREEN AND KANADE MEET
IT COMES ACROSS AS QUITE A FLIRTATIOUS SCENE, AND IT'S FULL OF LOVE FROM THE STAFF


D
The Mother-Daughter Team
C
The Father Daughter Team

AND WITH THESE PERVERTS HERE, I WON'T STAND OUT, RIGHT?
IN THAT RESPECT, I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL...

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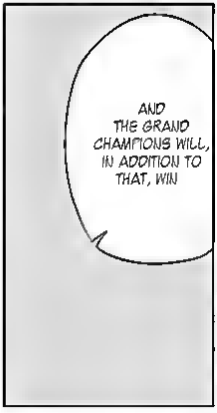
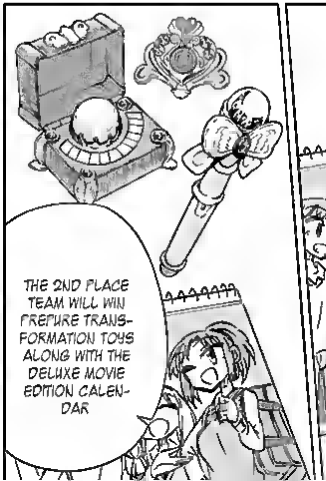
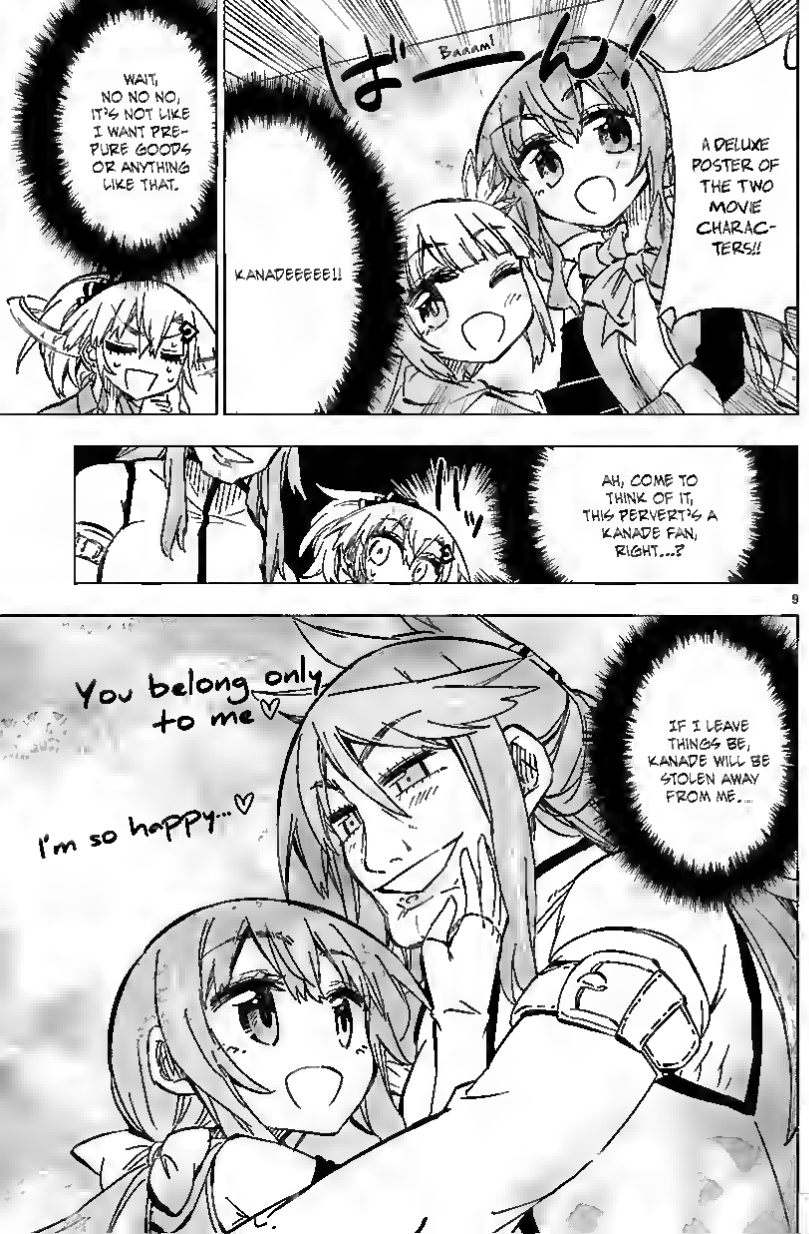
WHAT? WE CAN WIN STUFF?
ALRIGHT, AND NOW WE WILL ANNOUNCE THE PRIZES!


AND THE GRAND CHAMPIONS WILL, IN ADDITION TO THAT, WIN


THE 2ND PLACE TEAM WILL WIN PREPURE TRANS-FORMATION TOYS ALONG WITH THE DELUXE MOVIE EDITION CALEN-DAR

THE 3RD AND 4TH PLACE TEAMS WILL WIN DELUXE MOVIE EDITION CALENDARS


WAIT, NO NO NO, IT'S NOT LIKE I WANT PRE-PURE GOODS OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT.
KANADEEEEE!!
Baaam!
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A DELUXE POSTER OF THE TWO MOVIE CHARAC-TERS!!
AH, COME TO THINK OF IT, THIS PERVERT'S A KANADE FAN, RIGHT...?
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IF I LEAVE THINGS BE, KANADE WILL BE STOLEN AWAY FROM ME...
You belong only to me♡
I'm so happy..♡

LET'S DO OUR BEST OKAY, BIG SIS AKINA!
YEAH!
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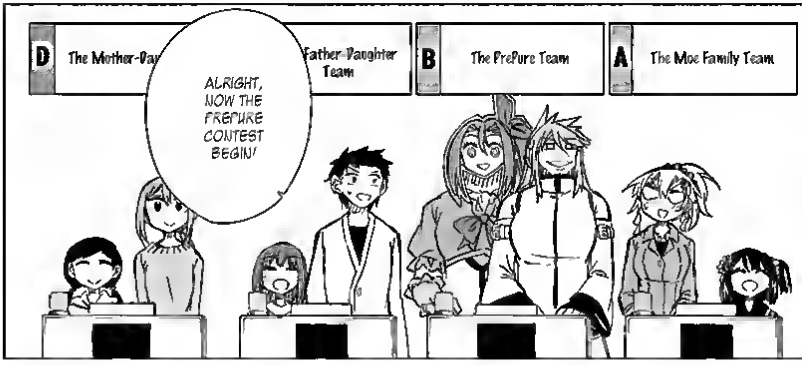
AT THE VERY LEAST I NEED TO STOP THAT!!
ROAR!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The Mother-Daughter Team
B
The PrePure Team
A
The Moe Family Team
ALRIGHT, NOW THE PREPURE CONTEST BEGIN!

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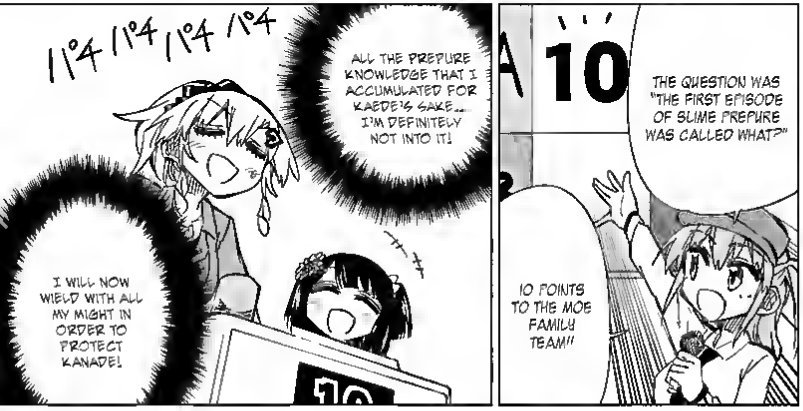
THE FIRST EPISODE OF SLIME PREPURE WAS CA—
ピンポーン!!
FIRST IS THE RAPID-RESPONSE QUIZ!

"EHH!? I'M A PRE-PURE!?"
CORRECT!!
WHOA, THAT WAS FAST, TEAM MOE!
THE ANSWER IS


ALL THE PREPURE KNOWLEDGE THAT I ACCUMULATED FOR KAEDE'S SAKE... I'M DEFINITELY NOT INTO IT!
I WILL NOW WIELD WITH ALL MY MIGHT IN ORDER TO PROTECT KANADE!
THE QUESTION WAS "THE FIRST EPISODE OF SLIME PREPURE WAS CALLED WHAT?"
10 POINTS TO THE MOE FAMILY TEAM!!

IN SLIME PREPURE, THE FIRST P
ALRIGHT, QUESTION 2!!

AN 'IKANBE"!
CORRECT!!
IT WAS IN "SLIME PREPURE, THE FIRST FIGHT WAS WITH WHAT?"
WHOA, PREPURE TEAM ARE QUITE THE FAST ONES TOO!
WHA—!?
THE ANSWER IS

Ques-tion three!
Yellow!!
Cor-rect!!
10
THIS GUY... HE'S GOT SOME GAME!!

THIS IS GOING TO BE...
ALRIGHT, ON TO THE NEXT EVENT

EHHHHH!?
A BATTLE TO SEE WHO CAN DO THE BEST TRANSFORMATION POSE!!
HEHEHEE MOE'S GONNA DO BIG SIS ORANGE'S TRANSFORMATION, OKAY~!
JUST WHAT KIND OF PERSON WOULD BE CAPABLE OF BETRAYING THAT SMILE!?
A-A QUIZ IS ONE THING, BUT A TRANSFORMATION POSE!? I MEAN, THAT'S REALLY JUST TOO...
BUT...
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IN THAT CASE!
THERE'S NO HELPING IT...

READY!
PRE-PURE
スライムチャージ!!
SLIME CHARGE!!
WE'VE WITNESSED A WONDERFUL TRANSFORMATION RIGHT OFF THE BAT!
PERFECT! THIS IS A PERFECT TRANSFORMATION SCENE RIGHT HERE!

WHA... THIS IS...
NOW, HOW WILL THE PREPURE TEAM RESPOND TO THAT!?
15
IT'S NOT A NORMAL TRANSFORMATION SCENE. IT'S A MOVIE ORIGINAL TRANSFORMATION!!
THE VOLUME IN THE STANDS HAS HIT ITS MAX!!
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W-WE LOST...

THESE GUYS AREN'T YOUR AVERAGE PERVERTS!!

ALL THE TEAMS HAD WONDERFUL TRANSFORMATIONS!

EVEN I GOT CAUGHT UP IN IT

ALRIGHT, ON TO THE NEXT EVENT!

THIS MIGHT SOUND LIKE IT'S OUTTA THE BLUE, BUT WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU NEED IF YOU WANT TO BE A PREPURE?

IN THE FIRST EVENT YOU COMPETED WITH YOUR INTELLIGENCE AND THE SECOND EVENT YOU COMPETED WITH YOUR TECHNIQUE...

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AND SO THE THIRD EVENT WILL BE MEASURING...

ARM STRENGTH!!

Oh of course

Well obviously

I know what you mean

BUT WHY!?

WELL, IT'S TRUE THAT FOR A YOUNG GIRL'S ANIME, PREPURE SURE RESOLVES A LOT OF PROBLEMS WITH ARM STRENGTH, BUT...
REFERENCE IMAGE
I'VE BEEN DEFEATED
READY— GO!!
GOOD, THEY WENT EASY ON HER...
ALRIGHT, LET'S BEGIN
IS THIS GONNA BE OKAY?
WOW, THIS IS THE DREAM BATTLE THAT TRANSCENDS SERIES!!
WILL LUNE KNIGHT BE ABLE TO DEFEAT RABU ON!!?
...WAIT, JUST HOW IS THIS GUY SUPPOSED TO BE AN OPPONENT...?
READY

GO!!

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WHAT'S WITH THIS BATTLE...!
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LISTEN TO ME, EVERY-ONE...
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NO, RABU ONI IS SLIGHTLY STRONGER!?
IT'S AN EVEN MATCH...

I DECIDED ON MY OWN TO THROW ASIDE MY FRIENDS AND FIGHT ALONE...
BUT I'VE COME TO UNDERSTAND THAT THAT WAS A MISTAKE
THAT'S WHY...
I'M ASKING ALL OF YOU TO LEND ME YOUR POWER!!
WHA
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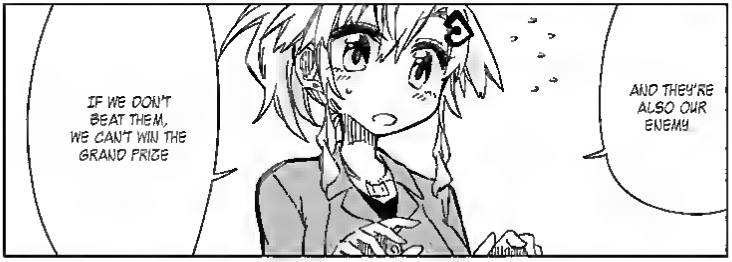
EHHHH...

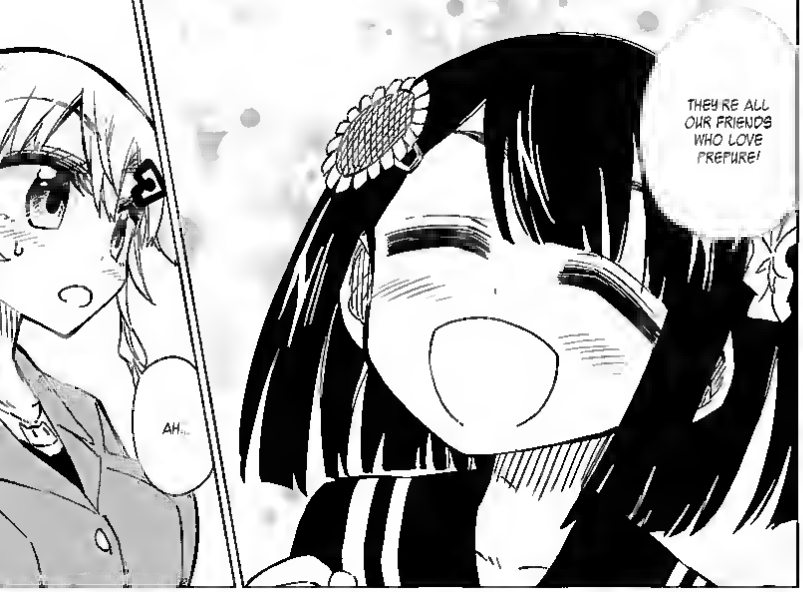
Y-YOU GUYS DO UNDERSTAND, RIGHT?
THAT THIS IS JUST A GUY CROSS-DRESSING, I MEAN?

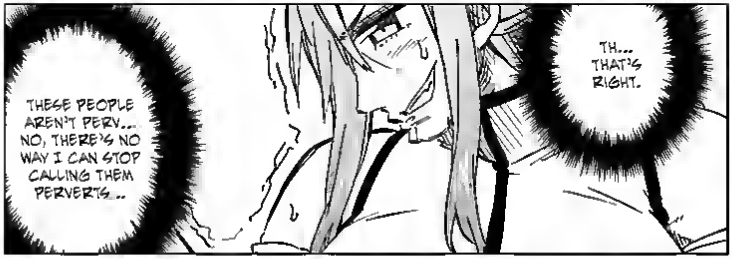
EHHH... TH-THIS PERSON IS LADY TSUKI, YEAH, BUT ALSO NOT LADY TSUKI...
YOU SHOULD CHEER TOO, BIG SIS!

DO YOUR BEST, LUNE KNIGHT!
EVEN MOE!


IF WE DON'T BEAT THEM, WE CAN'T WIN THE GRAND PRIZE
AND THEY'RE ALSO OUR ENEMY

EH...?
NO, THEY'RE NOT OUR ENEMY
BECAUSE ALL THESE PEOPLE HERE...


THEY'RE ALL OUR FRIENDS WHO LOVE PREPURE!
AH...


TH... THAT'S RIGHT.
THESE PEOPLE AREN'T PERV... NO, THERE'S NO WAY I CAN STOP CALLING THEM PERVERTS...

COSPLAYING ISN'T JUST WEARING A COSTUME, YOU KNOW!
BUT STILL...

YOU CAN DO IT, LUNE KNIGHT..
BUT I CAN AT LEAST ACKNOWL-EDGE THEIR LOVE FOR THE SERIES!

PREPURE LUNE KNIGHT HOME RUN!!
I WILL TURN THE ENERGY OF ALL OF YOUR CHEERS INTO POWER!
YOU CAN DO IT, LADY TSUKI!!
!!?
ドアーン!!
THIS FINISHING MOVE...
YEAH!!
Leave it to me.

ALRIGHT, I GET IT THE FACT THAT YOU'RE GOING ALL OUT TO BE A PREPURE...
MEANS THAT YOU'LL DEFINITELY TAKE GOOD CARE OF KANADE, RIGHT?
BUT...

I STILL DON'T HAVE THE SLIGHTEST INTENTION OF LOSING!!
ROCK, PAPER,
SCISSORS!

Today's PrePure show has now ended. On your way out, please...

WE ENDED UP LOSING, HUH...
BIG SIS LUNE KNIGHT AND BIG SIS LIGHTNING WERE JUST TOO AWESOME

YOU'RE RIGHT... TODAY REALLY WAS FUN
BUT IT WAS FUN! THANK YOU, BIG SIS AKINA!

MAY I TROUBLE YOU FOR A MOMENT, MISS?
THANKS, MOE.
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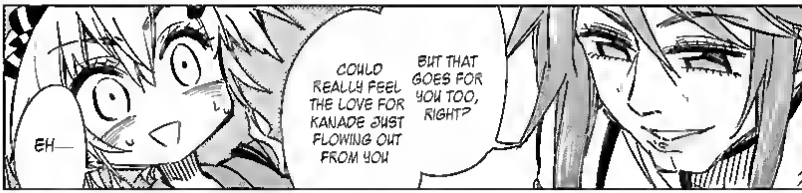
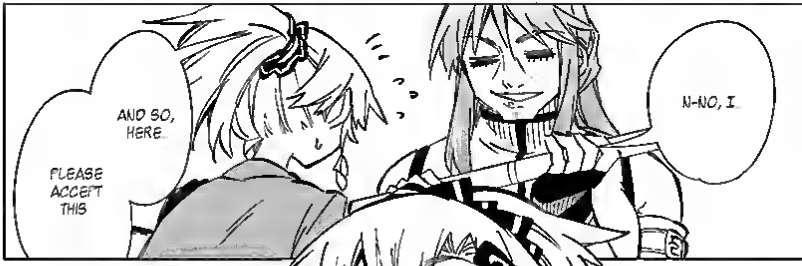
LADY TSUKI
LIGHTNING
THAT WAS QUITE THE MATCH
IT IS ALL THANKS TO YOU THAT I COULD ENJOY SUCH A CLIMACTIC MATCH
THANK YOU
N-NO, THAT'S
HOW SHOULD I SAY IT YOU GUYS SURE LOVE FREPURE, HUH?
YES, THAT'S RIGHT
AND IT'S BECAUSE WE LOVE IT SO MUCH THAT WE CANNOT HOLD BACK
EVEN IF THINGS GET ROUGH, WE ALWAYS DO OUR BEST
OTAKU ARE LIKE THAT. WE'RE PEOPLE WHO GO ALL OUT FOR THE THINGS WE LIKE.
EH
THESE PEOPLE ARE THE SAME AS KAEDE!!

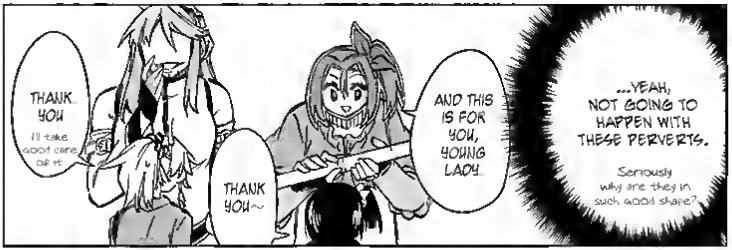
Phhhh
HAHAHA...
Just what are you making Lady Tsuki do?
WE MAKE SURE OUR SKIN DOESN'T GET ROUGH THOUGH


EH—
COULD REALLY FEEL THE LOVE FOR KANADE JUST FLOWING OUT FROM YOU
BUT THAT GOES FOR YOU TOO, RIGHT?


AND SO, HERE...
PLEASE ACCEPT THIS
N-NO, I...

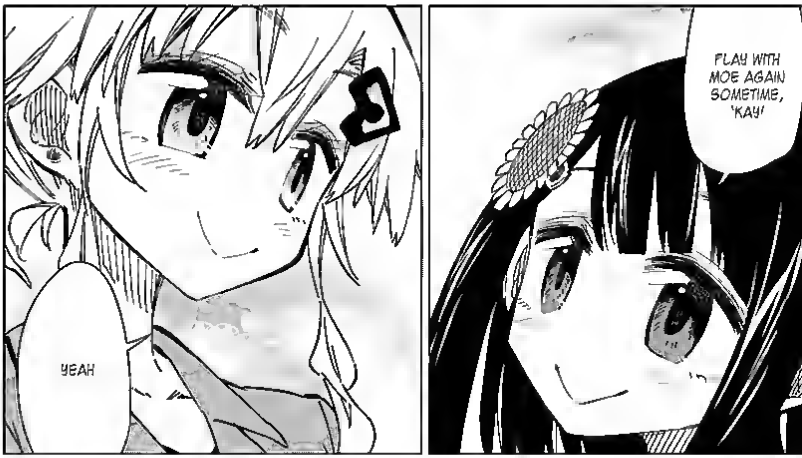
UM... I WASN'T PARTICIPATING JUST SO I COULD WIN TH—
TH-THIS IS THE GRAND PRIZE POSTER!?

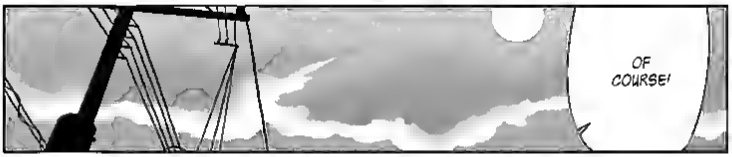
AND WON'T YOU SMILE MORE IF YOU WERE TO HAVE THIS?
PREFURES FIGHT TO PROTECT EVERYONE'S SMILES.
I COULD FALL FOR...
EVEN THOUGH HE MUST HAVE WANTED IT, HE JUST HANDED IT OVER WITHOUT HESITATING...
Damn he's smooth!


THANK YOU
I'll take good care of it.
THANK YOU~
AND THIS IS FOR YOU, YOUNG LADY.
...YEAH, NOT GOING TO HAPPEN WITH THESE PERVERTS.
Seriously why are they in such good shape?

BYE-BYE!!
AND WITH THAT, BYE-BYE

BIG SIS AKINA!
IT WAS REALLY FUN~
WE HAD A PRETTY BUSY DAY TODAY, HUH?
Alright, should we head back?


YEAH
PLAY WITH MOE AGAIN SOMETIME, 'KAY!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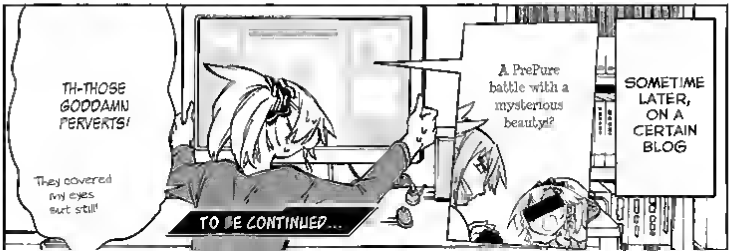
TH-THOSE GODDAMN PERVERTS!
They covered my eyes but still!
A PrePure battle with a mysterious beauty!?
SOMETIME LATER, ON A CERTAIN BLOG
TO BE CONTINUED...

NOTHING MUCH REALLY SPECIAL HAPPENS THIS CHAPTER. AS A PRECURE FAN I ENJOYED SOME OF THE JOKES BUT IT'S STILL FAIRLY RUN-OF-THE-MILL FOR SHINOZAKI.

PRECURE RELATED TL NOTES:

- "EH? I'M A PRECURE!?" SOUNDS IT COULD BE THE REAL TITLE OF AN EPISODE, BUT IT DOESN'T MATCH THE FIRST EP TITLE OF ANY OF THE PRECURE SERIES.

- THE "IKANBE" ARE A REFERENCE TO THE MONSTERS IN SMILE PRECURE, WHO WERE CALLED "AKANBE".

- MOE AND AKINA'S TRANSFORMATION PHRASE WAS SIMILAR TO THE ONE USED IN SMILE, "PRECURE, SMILE CHARGE."

- HOWEVER, THEIR POSE WAS TOTALLY DIFFERENCE. THOSE WANDS LOOKED MORE LIKE THE TRANSFORMATION TOYS USED IN HEARTCATCH THAN THE DEVICES IN SMILE.

CHAPTER 39 SHOULD PROVE TO BE A LITTLE BIT MORE EXCITING THOUGH. WE'RE FINALLY GETTING THE VALENTINE'S DAY CHAPTER, AND LOOKING AT THE RAWS THERE WILL BE SOME *GASP* MOUTH-TO-MOUTH!?

SEE YOU NEXT MONTH!

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